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Facts From France.

France has only twenty tobacco factories.
France and its colonies occupy an area of 4,372,000 square miles.
The river Seine, its branches and canals, connect the city of Rouen with one-fifth the area and one-third the population of France.

Beauty Spots.

When polishing the finger nails rub across, not up and down.
Cutting the eyebrows and eyelashes results in stiff, stubby hairs.
In removing wrinkles from the forehead the movement should be rotary and backward toward the temples.
Constantly blinking the eyes encourages the little network of wrinkles around them that are so disfiguring.
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PETROGRAD.

The New Name Is Simply a Return to the Original One.

The city heretofore known as St. Petersburg is in future to be called Petrograd. This apparent innovation is in reality a return to the name which Peter the Great's second capital had borne from the beginning. All the old books published in that city during the latter part of Peter's reign and those of his immediate successors bear the word Petrograd on the title pages. "Grad" and "gorod" are two forms of the same word, which means "city" or "town." Etymologically it signifies an inclosed space and belongs to the same root as the English word "garden." It occurs in hundreds of Slav geographical names—as, for instance, in Novgorod, "new town;" Ivanogorod, Elizabetgrad, Euxinograd. Constantinople itself is often called in Russian the "emperor's city"—Czaregrad.

During the reigns of the Emperors Catherine and Elizabeth the mania for adopting foreign names was rife in Russia, and on many places known in old Russian history German names were bestowed, most of which remain to this day.

After the treaty of Berlin, when Count Ignatiev, who had been Russia's ambassador in Constantinople became at first minister of the interior and then president of the Slavonic society, he, Kamarov, and a number of other Slavophiles started a movement in favor of altering those German names to their Russian equivalents or to the original Slav appellations, wherever there were any such. In time, no doubt, Peterhof, Oranienbaum, Yekaterinburg, Orenburg and a host of other places will also be rechristened, and Count Ignatiev's proposal will be fully carried out.—Dr. E. J. Dillon in Manchester Guardian.

HOW THE SUGAR GOES.

Pathetic Wail of a New York Restaurant Proprietor.

"I love my patrons," said a well known restaurant proprietor, "but friendship and platonic affection cease when they begin to take all the sugar I have. The other day I took an inventory of the stock of this establishment, and I found that my patrons were using fifteen and eighteen lumps of sugar to every cup of coffee or tea that was consumed. I knew that could not be true, and I put a watch on my help, thinking that some one was stealing the sugar. I saw none of my help go near the barrel, while the sugar continued to go at the same rate.

"So I watched my customers. Many of them never used sugar in their coffee or tea before this war, and now they dig into the bowl and take out a large handful of the lumps. Do you think they put any of it into their coffee or tea? No; they put the lumps into their pockets and take them home. "The war and the high cost of living are responsible. People taking their lunches downtown feel that they cannot afford to buy sugar for the family, so they let the restaurant man furnish it. What am I going to do? If I catch them and tell them to put it back they do not come here for their lunches any more, and if I let them keep on taking it I will be broke soon."—New York Telegraph.

A HUMAN MENAGERIE.

Her "lamb" his mother called him when he was a toddler small.
His nunky "little monkey" his wee nephew used to call.

He grew up fat and awkward, to the girls "a great big calf."
At college he was "gay young dog." They said it with a laugh.

He entered next the Stock Exchange, and there he was a "bear."
As he was shrewd, one said of him, "A sly fox, I declare!"

Making a coup sensational, a "lion" he became.
"A mean skunk" some men said who lost and on him placed the blame.

Later from "bear" he turned to "bull," a foolish step alas!
He dropped his entire fortune and was frankly dubbed an "ass."

—Boston Transcript.

Insidious Persistence.

"I understand that you have broken your engagement with Harold Jimkins," said one girl.

"We were never engaged," replied the other. "The trouble with Harold is that he is too grammatical."

"What has grammar to do with it?" "He took advantage of the fact that when I get excited I stammer. When he asked me to marry him I said 'No, no!' and he immediately insisted that two negatives make an affirmative."—Washington Star.

Periods of Elation.

"Why do you have your office on the same floor with a dentist?" asked Mrs. Gabb. "Don't the painful noises worry you?"

"Sometimes," replied Mr. Gabb. "But I enjoy the painful silences."

"What do you mean by a painful silence?" asked Mrs. Gabb.

"That's when the dentist gets a woman in the chair and puts a rubber dam in her mouth," replied Mr. Gabb. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

Little Girl's Guess.

Little Girl's mother was reading the paper and came to a personal referring to the departure of a young man for a polytechnic school.

"Wonder what polytechnic means?" she said. "Look in the dictionary, Little Girl, and see."

But Little Girl was busy with a new doll's wardrobe, so she chose to guess. "Maybe it's a school where they train parrots, mamma."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

No Reason For a Curfew.

"I understand they have a curfew law out there now," he said.

"No," his informant answered; "they did have one, but they abandoned it."

"What was the matter?" "Well, the bell rang at 9 o'clock and almost every one complained that it woke them up."—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Had to Say Something Mean.

"Hubby, some ladies have asked me to join the movement for beautifying our town."

"Well?"

"And I'd like to join."

"And what's your idea of beautifying our town? Getting a new feather for your hat?"—Kansas City Journal.

A Compliment.

"I've lent Grimpus my garden hose, my lawn mower, my phonograph and my safety razor, but I had to refuse his last request."

"What did he want?"

"He wanted to borrow my photograph to carry on a flirtation by mail."—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Distressing.



"And so you were held up abroad by the war. You suffered many inconveniences no doubt."

"Yes, indeed. Why, for weeks before I could get out there wasn't a tango parlor open."—Pittsburgh Press.

Exchanging Compliments.

Mr. Eatabout—I like to see one eat appropriate food. May I offer you some of this delicious angel food?

Mrs. Donatodeath—I quite agree with you. Suppose you try some of the sponge cake.—New York Globe.

Not So Mad as All That.

"I never saw a woman so mad. In her rage she stamped up and down the room."

"And tore her hair, I suppose." "Mercy, no! It cost too much."—Boston Transcript.

Father's Hours.

"Does the baby cry for you?" "Its mother says so," replied the young father. "Seems it is always crying for me when it yells after 10 p. m."—Louisville Courier Journal.

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"What is the matter with Wombat?" "The doctor says the salts in his body are below normal."

"I always thought he was entirely too fresh."—Kansas City Journal.

One day Bill Jones expressed his views about a man and tempted fate. And now poor Bill his action runs. From now on he'll talk via slow freight. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Is the Kaiser much of a dancer?" "I understand that he leads all the Germans."—Baltimore American.

At fashion's ways a man will crown Or cynically smile. Yet how he calls Maria down If she looks out of style! —Washington Star.

"The animal over there belongs to the marsupial family."

"They're new ones to me. Is it a family that's just moved into the neighborhood?"—Baltimore American.

Atax defied the lightning, oh! He bluffed it, we are told. Had he defied the autos, though, They would have knocked him cold. —New York Mail.

Naggyby—This headline says, "Scene of Battle Shifts"—what are battle shifts? Waggyby—Shirts of mail, of course.—Indianapolis Star.

The carpenter's a proper man, Deserving all rewards. Deny this statement if you can! He even shaves his boards. —Detroit Free Press.